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## Our European Budget

Sahara May be Turned Into a Sea--  
Cholera Caused by Shellfish--  
Solomon's Grave.

PARIS, Oct. 14.—A sensation has  
been caused in Paris by the daring  
proposal of Professor Eichegoyen, a  
distinguished scientist, who declares  
that France ought to lose no time in  
converting the desert of Sahara into  
an inland sea. He points out that  
about a quarter of the whole desert is  
below sea level and that a canal to  
the north coast of Africa, some 50  
miles long, which would not present  
any great mechanical difficulties, is all  
that would be required to create an  
ocean about half the size of the Medi-  
terranean.

The consequences of this engineer-  
ing work, he declares, would be gigan-  
tic. All the arid regions now sur-  
rounding the desert and those parts  
of the Sahara which are above the  
level of the sea would be rendered  
as fertile as Europe, since the present  
sterility is no fault of the soil,  
but is caused solely by a lack of water.

Millions of human beings who now  
lead a miserable existence, on the  
verge of starvation, could support  
themselves in comfort. A whole new  
colony, whose political and economic  
importance can not be exaggerated,  
could be added to France's posses-  
sions. A fleet of steamships would  
navigate the Sea of Sahara, the depth  
of which would vary from 10 to 60  
fathoms and produce a flourishing  
traffic between Algeria and French  
West Africa.

The most remarkable result of all  
would be the alteration of the climate  
of the whole of Northern Africa,  
lowering its temperature to that of  
Natal and thus enhancing its value as  
a colony for Europeans.

The professor's astonishing scheme,  
of course, has provoked much com-  
ment and objections are not wanting.  
Any tampering with the weather con-  
ditions of Africa, say meteorological  
experts would affect those of Europe.  
If tropical Africa becomes temperate,  
Europe would become Arctic and an  
alarming picture is drawn of England,  
Belgium and Denmark, lying under  
several feet of snow and their in-  
habitants either emigrating in a body  
to milder countries or being forced to  
lead the lives of Greenland Eskimos.  
But the most striking reason given for  
leaving the great desert alone is that  
by the displacement of so many bil-  
lions of tons of water the equilibrium  
of the earth would be affected and  
that the engineer who undertook the  
task of adding a new sea to the map  
would be cursed by humanity like the  
hero of one of Jules Verne's romances  
for having altered the globe's axis.

Savants, however, consider that  
these objections are exaggerated and  
the French are rejoicing in the mag-  
nificent idea originated in the coun-  
try which conceived the Suez and  
Panama Canals.

### New Kind of Cholera.

PARIS, Oct. 6.—Rather late in the  
day the French sanitary authorities  
have been taking extreme precautions  
to prevent the importation of cholera  
at the Italian frontier. It is remark-  
able, in view of the comparative neg-  
lect of measures of this kind during  
the latter part of the summer and the  
early autumn, that so few cases of  
the true epidemic form of the disease  
have been noted in France. Besides  
the careful inspection of travelers  
coming from infected districts, the  
government has enforced a rigid pro-  
hibition of the sale of crude fruits  
of all kinds on the incoming trains  
near the border.

But a more interesting fact of pos-  
sible far-reaching importance, which  
has developed from the labors of the  
French medical corps engaged in pre-  
ventive measures is the discovery of  
a choleric bacillus, which differs es-  
sentially from that of the epidemic  
Asiatic cholera. It seems to be spe-  
cially characteristic of the kind of  
cholera which has raged along the  
Mediterranean coast this year. This  
cholera is said to be vastly less con-  
tagious than the other kind, but to kill  
much more quickly. The patient usu-  
ally has only a few hours to live after  
the first symptoms appear. It has no  
epidemic character; those coming in  
contact with the victims are compar-  
atively safe unless they eat something  
containing germs of the disease.

Experiments in the culture of the  
new cholera bacilli at Marseilles and  
at the Pasteur Institute and the Aus-  
piciers Hospital, at Paris, have given  
the same results, demonstrating the  
difference between these and the bet-  
ter-known variety. It is believed that  
more deaths in Italy have been due  
to the new variety of cholera than to  
the other, and that the disease has  
been due in large proportion to the  
eating of infected shellfish, which are  
gathered and consumed in great quan-  
tities all along the Mediterranean coast.

### Seeking Solomon's Grave.

LONDON, Oct. 7.—Under the lead-

ership of Captain Parker, an archaeo-  
logical expedition has left here for  
Jerusalem to continue the work of  
the last two years on the site of the  
ancient Zion with the view of dis-  
covering the burial places of David  
and Solomon.

Captain Parker, a brother of Earl  
Morley, was in command of the ex-  
pedition in which the Duchess of Marl-  
borough was said to be interested and  
which got into disfavor recently with  
the Turkish government and Moslem  
authorities, who accused the excava-  
tors of desecrating the sacred Mosque  
of Omar. The second in command is  
Clarence Wilson, and the party was  
completed by the addition of a num-  
ber of English laborers.

The expedition sailed on Wilson's  
yacht to Jaffa from which port it will  
travel to Jerusalem. On arrival there  
the excavators will resume work in  
the underground passages on Mount  
Ophel. This mound is now a cabbage  
garden which supplies Jerusalem with  
vegetables, but in ancient times it was  
supposed to be the site of the Bible-  
al Zion.

The work which will be directed  
from the headquarters of the expedi-  
tion at Chloam, will be supervised by  
Turkish government inspectors, spe-  
cially selected by the imperial author-  
ities at Constantinople.

### Urges Still Greater Navy.

BERLIN, Oct. 5.—The North Ger-  
man Gazette, which beside being a  
semi-official organ, is also the mouth-  
piece of the German Naval League,  
prints the full text of a speech deliv-  
ered the other day at Cassel by Grand  
Admiral von Koester. Although, in  
general, it was an appeal to the Ger-  
man nation to support a new speed-  
ing up of German naval construction  
it contained several flings at Great  
Britain which are particularly sig-  
nificant, as the admiral is a close friend  
of the Kaiser, besides being president  
of the league. Some passages from  
his speech follow:

"The action of England has pained  
and embittered us. We are a peace-  
ful, but a mighty and energetic people,  
and bear willingly a national service  
in arms that will stand us in good  
stead for our independence under any  
circumstances, even when we have to  
assert that with the mailed fist. In  
that day, if it come, we shall still  
know how to deal out hearty blows as  
we did in the great wars, which,  
thanks to the brilliant deeds of our  
army, secured the federation of the  
German Empire. \* \* \*

"I should like to ask the responsible  
statesmen, above all the Naval Sec-  
retary, whether they will in face of  
the recent grave anxiety over the in-  
dependence of our nation among the  
great world Powers, rest content with  
a shipbuilding program which, in my  
view, is not capable of assuring us  
our position. I should like to exhort  
the Reichstag, which once before, in  
a time of crisis, answered unauthor-  
ized foreign demands by passing the  
Naval Budget without debate, now  
again, as one of its last deeds, to in-  
terpret the will of the German people  
in accordance with this demand for  
the speeding up of our navy law. The  
great majority of the German people  
will greet such action with joy."

### Rome's Queen of Beauty.

ROME, Oct. 5.—Among the many  
ways in which Rome has elected to  
celebrate her jubilee festivities, one  
is that of choosing among those  
born in the Eternal City a Queen of  
Beauty who shall reign for the whole  
year, and who, in addition to a jew-  
eled coronet, presented by the Mes-  
saggero newspaper, is to receive a dowry  
when she marries, and has in addition  
obtained a trousseau from various  
dressmakers.

Elections were held in the 18 "rioni,"  
or quarters into which Rome was  
divided in the Middle Ages, a Queen  
was selected in each one of them,  
while the two girls who had the next  
largest number of votes were appoint-  
ed her Princesses in Waiting.

They were all entertained in the  
theaters and restaurants of Rome, and  
finally in the Great Hall of the Piazza  
d' Armi, an election which lasted for  
two or three days took place, in which  
the public, after gazing on the queens  
and their attendants who appeared on  
the platform, were permitted to re-  
cord their vote as to which was best  
fitted to represent the beauty of Rome.

The one who received some thou-  
sand more votes than any one else  
was Palmira Cecani, the representa-  
tive of the ancient quarter of Trast-  
evere, "beyond the river," where, if  
anywhere, are to be found the lineal  
descendants of the inhabitants of old  
Rome, and whose women are still cele-  
brated for their classic features, their  
Juno-like forms and their fine bear-  
ing.

Palmira, who is the daughter of  
humble parents, is an excellent ex-  
ample of the type, with great dark  
expressive eyes, regular features, and

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  - III. Piano Solo.....Miss Glenna McCrackin
  - IV. Double Quartette.....Mrs. McConley, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Flickinger, Miss Klein.  
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  - V. Instrumental Music.....E. Kaai
  - VI. Hawaiian Quartette.....Kamehameha Glee Club
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  - VIII. Vocal Solo.....Miss Klein  
(a) Alla Stella Confidante—Robaudi.  
(b) "O Dry Those Tears"—Teresa Del Riego.  
Violin Obligato, Walter Klein.
  - IX. Piano Solo.....H. A. Schroeder
  - X. Girls' Chorus.....Florence Paoa, Isabella Kahale, Ruth Voeller, Lydia Pahan,  
Madeline Moore, Bernice Kahanamoku, Emily Thompson,  
Angeline Voeller.
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